

Juvenile Fire Setting

The following table provides a five-year overview of fires set by youth as reported to the Kansas State Fire Marshal's Office by Kansas fire departments. It is estimated that the actual number of fires set by children could be as much as ten times greater than those actually reported.

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Fires	312	285	193	176	319
Structure	125	105	87	73	95
Vehicle	5	9	7	6	6
Grass	129	129	64	63	167
Other	53	42	35	34	51
Dollar Loss	\$2,108,787	\$1,439,993	\$1,104,081	\$842,940	\$2,009,344
Structure	\$2,090,828	\$1,386,230	\$1,022,601	\$833,375	\$1,991,037
Vehicle	\$ 6,500	\$ 10,600	\$ 9,300	\$ 4,865	\$ 3,700
Grass	\$ 6,638	\$ 1,785	\$ 600	\$ 650	\$ 6,357
Other	\$ 4,821	\$ 41,378	\$ 71,580	\$ 4,050	\$ 8,850
Injuries	17	12	12	5	5
Civilian	13	8	12	5	3
Fire Service	4	4	0	0	2
Deaths	2	1	0	0	2
Civilian	2	1	0	0	2
Fire Service	0	0	0	0	0
Causes	312	285	193	176	319
Matches	76	60	55	32	39
Lighters	86	73	57	56	99
Fireworks	61	77	24	34	73
Other	89	75	57	54	108

Source: 2002 - 2006 Kansas Fire Incident Reporting System